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Report from Mexico City—Outbreak of typhus fever.

Information is received from the American embassy at Mexico City, through the Department of State, of an epidemic outbreak of typhus fever in Belem prison in that city. October 8, 300 cases were reported; October 12, 20 cases were under observation as against 28, 30, and 60 cases declared during the three preceding days. October 15, the epidemic was reported as disappearing.

Report from Tampico—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stowe reports, October 21:

Week ended October 20.

Vessels inspected and passed	6
Bills of health issued	6
Members of crews of outgoing vessels inspected	170
Vessels fumigated prior to sailing	2

No cases of quarantinable diseases occurred during the week.

Sanitary improvements at Tampico.

Const. Trippett reports, October 7:

A modern sewerage system has been installed at Tampico, and a large part of the formerly low, swampy, and poorly drained sections of the city has been filled in and drained.

Report from Salina Cruz—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McPherson reports, October 16:

During the period October 1 to 15, inclusive, 2 steamships were inspected and fumigated.

Reports from Veracruz—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Status of yellow fever—Smallpox at Veracruz, Alvarado, and Tlacotalpan.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Jacobs reports, October 23 and 25:

Week ended October 24.

Total bills of health issued, 3; total numbers of crews inspected, 183; passengers, cabin, 57; steerage, 4.

Yellow fever status: Twenty-five cases with 12 deaths to date. Five cases occurred during past 2 weeks.

In the report for week ended October 17, a case of smallpox isolated October 13 was omitted. This brings the number to 3 cases. All the cases are isolated in the pesthouse outside the city.

Smallpox has been present at Alvarado, a small port about 30 miles south of Veracruz, for some weeks. Reports give about 15 cases and 1 death. The disease is also present at Tlacotalpan, a small place about 40 miles from Alvarado on the Tlacotalpan River.